**Welcome to Worship**

**Sunday, October 13, 2024**

 **10:00 AM**

***The Polarization Within: Compassion*******

**Rev. Mary Dotson, Lead Pastor**

Website:[www.vistaumc.org](http://www.vistaumc.org)

Church Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am– 4:00 pm

 (Closed for lunch between 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm)

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Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Gathering Music**

**Welcome/Announcements** Pastor Mary

**Prelude**  *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Mary Bellah

Arr. Robert Hughes, © 1988 Lorenz Publishing Company

**Call to Worship** Pastor Mary and Liturgist

**Series Theme Song**  *Christ Has Broken Down the Wall* On Screen

**Peace Across the Divide** Gail Parson and Pete Schwartz

**Compassion Hymn** *Help Us Accept Each Other* UMH #560

**Time at the Steps**  Pastor Mary

**Old Testament Lesson**  Isaiah 11:6-9 Liturgist

**Liturgist:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Anthem** *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*Chancel Choir

Sebastian Temple, © 1967 OCP Publications

**The Message** *The Polarization Within: Compassion* Pastor Mary

**Invitation to Prayer**   *Ubi Caritas (Live in Charity)* 3x TFWS #2179

**Intercessory Prayer** On Screen

 **The Lord’s Prayer**

 **Offering**

 **Invitation to the Offering** Pastor Mary

 **Stewardship Moment** Robin Conner

**Offertory**  *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Mary Bellah

 Ludwig van Beethoven, © 1986 Latter Rain Music

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

**\*Prayer of Dedication**  Pastor Mary

**\*Sending Forth**  Liturgist

**Hymn of Going Into the World** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* UMH #557

**Benediction** Pastor Mary and Liturgist

**Series Theme Song**  *Christ Has Broken Down the Wall, verse 4* On Screen

**Postlude** *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*  Mary Bellah

 Heinrich Fleischer, © 1953 Concordia Publishing House

 \*Please stand in body or spirit.

 **Liturgist**  Kathy Isaac

 **Stephen Minister**  Dr. Larry Holden

**Flowers given by** Jan Bohe in honor of Jack Bohe’s Birthday and by Mary and Bill Bellah in honor

of Dana Belyea’s Birthday.

All church services are live-streamed and recorded.

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**Our Mission at Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church**

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, and to reach out to others, help them, welcome them into our family of faith as we gather for worship, fellowship, education, and service.

**How to contribute to the offering if online:**

1. Open the camera app on your cell phone.
2. Focus the camera on the QR code by gently tapping the code as it
3. Appears on your camera.
4. Tap on the yellow button—myvanco.com
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**Thank you for your donation!**

**Compassion Connection**

**In Need of Continued Prayers for Healing**

Eileen Carender, Edith (Edey) Gallaher, Kay Gragg, Bob & Eileen Herd, Pam Holder, Ken & Sharon Hunt, Betty Little, Allen & Barbara Phillips, Tricia Pohnert, and Art Schweitzer.

**Home Bound**

Dr. Chuck Crown, John & Jan Crown, Florence Duckett, Bill Gureck, Fran Hampton, Margaret Overman, Ken & Diane Podlasek, Sharon Poole, Pete Rice, Mary Louise & Walt Roberson, and Howard & Mary Lou Young.

**Prayers for Comfort**

For the family of Cynthia Karcher. Cynthia’s service will be October 27, at Vistoso Funeral

Home.

**Prayers for our Churches**

Each month churches in the South District pray with and for each other. This month we pray for the pastors, congregation, and community of the following:

St. Paul’s UMC, Tucson

Trinity UMC, Bisbee

Vista de la Montana UMC, Tucson

Our sister church, Fuente de Vida in Agua Prieta, Mexico.

**Vista UMC Announcements for October 13 thru October 20**

**Choir Warm-up** is at 9:00 am in the sanctuary.

**Children & Youth Sunday School** 10:15 to 11:00 am in the Education Building.

**Adult Sunday School** meets at 11:30 am in the St. Matthew Room.

Tune into Vista’s Facebook page each week for **“Tuesdays with Pastor Mary.”** To access Facebook, go to our website: www.vistaumc.org and click on the Facebook icon.

**Vista Women of Faith** meeting is Tuesday, October 15, at 9:00 am in the Elizabeth Room. Pastor Mary is the guest speaker.

**The Finance Committee** meeting is Tuesday, October 15, at 2:00 pm in the Elizabeth Room.

**Adult Christian Education** 9:45 am in the Elizabeth Room on Wednesday mornings. **Our study will be on the Book of Acts.** The journey of the early church moves from Jerusalem to Rome propelled by God's dynamic Spirit. The study will be led by Rev. Dr. Jim Lubach.

**Handbell and Chancel Choirs** rehearse Wednesdays. **Handbell Choir** meets at 11:00 am and **Chancel Choir** meets at 1:00 pm.   Contact Carolyn Dwyer, Director of Music Ministries, if you have questions.

**Missions** meeting on Wednesday, October 9, at 3:00 pm in the St. Matthew Room.

**The Landscape Volunteer Crew** meets on Thursdays at 7:00 am.

**Women’s Lectionary Group** meets on Thursdays at 10:00 am on Zoom.

**Stephen Ministry** meeting is Thursday at 1:00 pm in the Elizabeth Room.

There will be a **Ministry Fair** on Sunday, October 20, before and after church on the patio.

**Coming Events**

October 22, 2:30 pm, Annual Church Conference (all members urged to attend)

November 17, 2:00 pm, Saddlebrooke Winds and Strings. Concert free and open to the public.

Bring your friends!

November 24-December 8, United Women in Faith Christmas Stockings distribution.

December 15, United Women in Faith Bake Sale.

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Join our October worship series, focusing on Jesus’ words, **“Do Unto Others”** as we learn how to be Kind, Compassionate, Humble, Respectful and Love one another during this election season. Sundays, through Nov 3, 10:00 am.



Keep an eye out for emails during the next 5 weeks. Check your SPAM and JUNK folders.

**New Email format**. This week we sent out the “Do Unto Others” letter, bulletin, and bulletin insert in a new format. I’d love your **feedback.** admin@vistaumc.org Joyce Prescott

**Agua Prieta greeting cards** are available for 50¢ each in the Patio Room and in the Library.

**Complimentary Prayer Beads** are available in the Narthex and in the library.

**Upper Room booklets** are available in the Narthex and the church office for $2.00 each or online at upperroom.org.

 It is free to sign up for a daily devotional email.

The church has purchased a **Wheelchair** to be used during worship if need be. The wheelchair will be kept in the Narthex.

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| **HOW TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH** **PEOPLE WHO DISAGREE WITH YOU**Use these questions to guide your cross-partisan conversations:* “Which life experiences have shaped your views?”
* “Imagine for a moment that you got what you wanted in regards to this issue. How would your life change?”
* “For those who disagree with you, what would you like them to understand about you?”
* “What do you want to understand about those with whom you disagree?”
* “Why is this personally important to you?”
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